

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

1. NAME				
COMMON: <i>Charleston Methodist Episcopal Church</i>				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: <i>North East corner Market and Bladen Sts.</i>				
CITY OR TOWN: <i>Charleston</i>				
STATE: <i>MD</i>		COUNTY: <i>Cecil</i>		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		OWNERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Semi		STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____ _____
4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: <i>Elders of the Methodist Episcopal Church</i>				
STREET AND NUMBER: <i>Market and Bladen Sts</i>				
CITY OR TOWN: <i>Charleston</i>		STATE: <i>MD</i>		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: <i>Clerk of the Circuit Court</i>				
STREET AND NUMBER: <i>Cecil County Courthouse</i>				
CITY OR TOWN: <i>Elkton</i>		STATE: <i>MD</i>		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #):				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered ?		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This brick church is two stories high with the church room upstairs, offices and Sunday school and social rooms downstairs.

3 bays by 4, the entrance is in the narrow south end wall. The pitched roof/ridge runs north-south. The pitch is low, the corners under wide eaves heavily dentellated.

Windows upstairs have stained glass in geometric pattern, downstairs clear. Sashes are 6 over 6. There is no steeple or belfry.

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B. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

☐ Columbian☐ 16th Century☐ 18th Century☐ 20th Century☐ 15th Century☐ 17th Century☒ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1856

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal

☐ Prehistoric☐ Historic☐ Agriculture☐ Architecture☐ Art☐ Commerce☐ Communications☐ Conservation☐ Education☐ Engineering☐ Industry☐ Invention☐ Landscape☐ Architecture☐ Literature☐ Military☐ Music☐ Political☒ Religion/Phi-
losophy☐ Science☐ Sculpture☐ Social/Human-
itarian☐ Theater☐ Transportation☐ Urban Planning☐ Other (Specify)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

A pleasant traditional brick
church, generally quite plain.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY				OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES				
CORNER	LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		
	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
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NE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SE	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"
SW	°	'	"	°	'	"	°	'	"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: JEAN S. EWING	
ORGANIZATION MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST	DATE
STREET AND NUMBER: 2525 RIVA ROAD	
CITY OR TOWN: ANNAPOLIS	STATE MARYLAND

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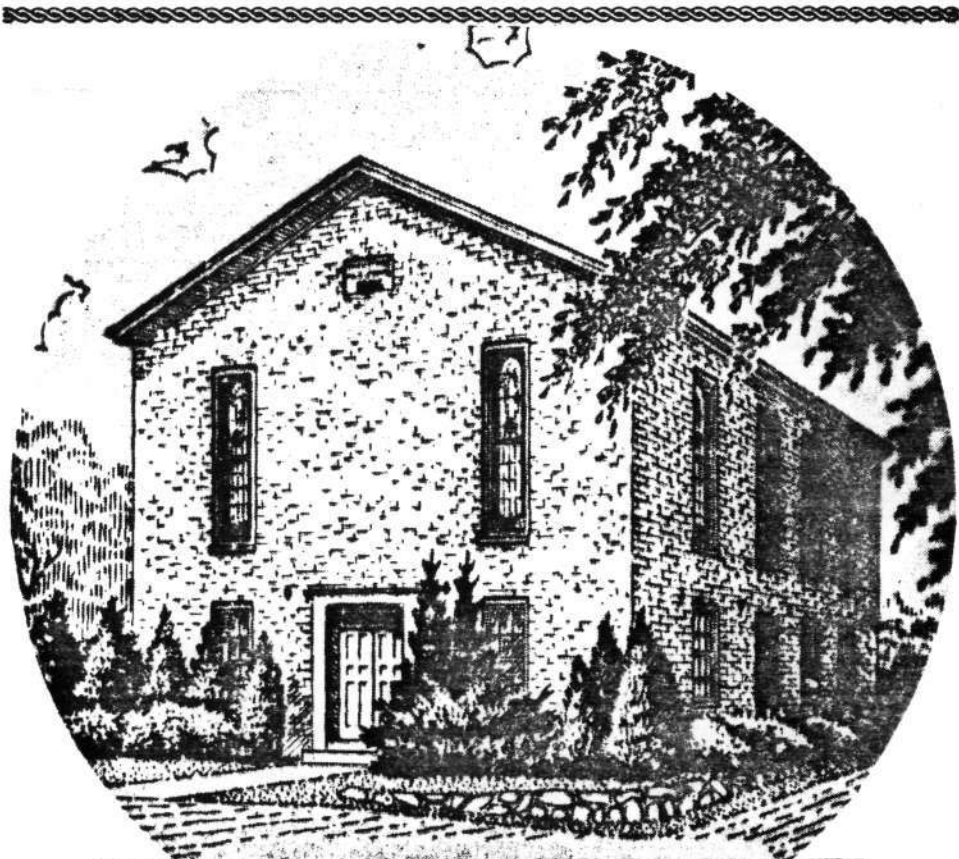
State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

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St. John's Methodist Church

Charlestown, Maryland

METHODIST CHURCH

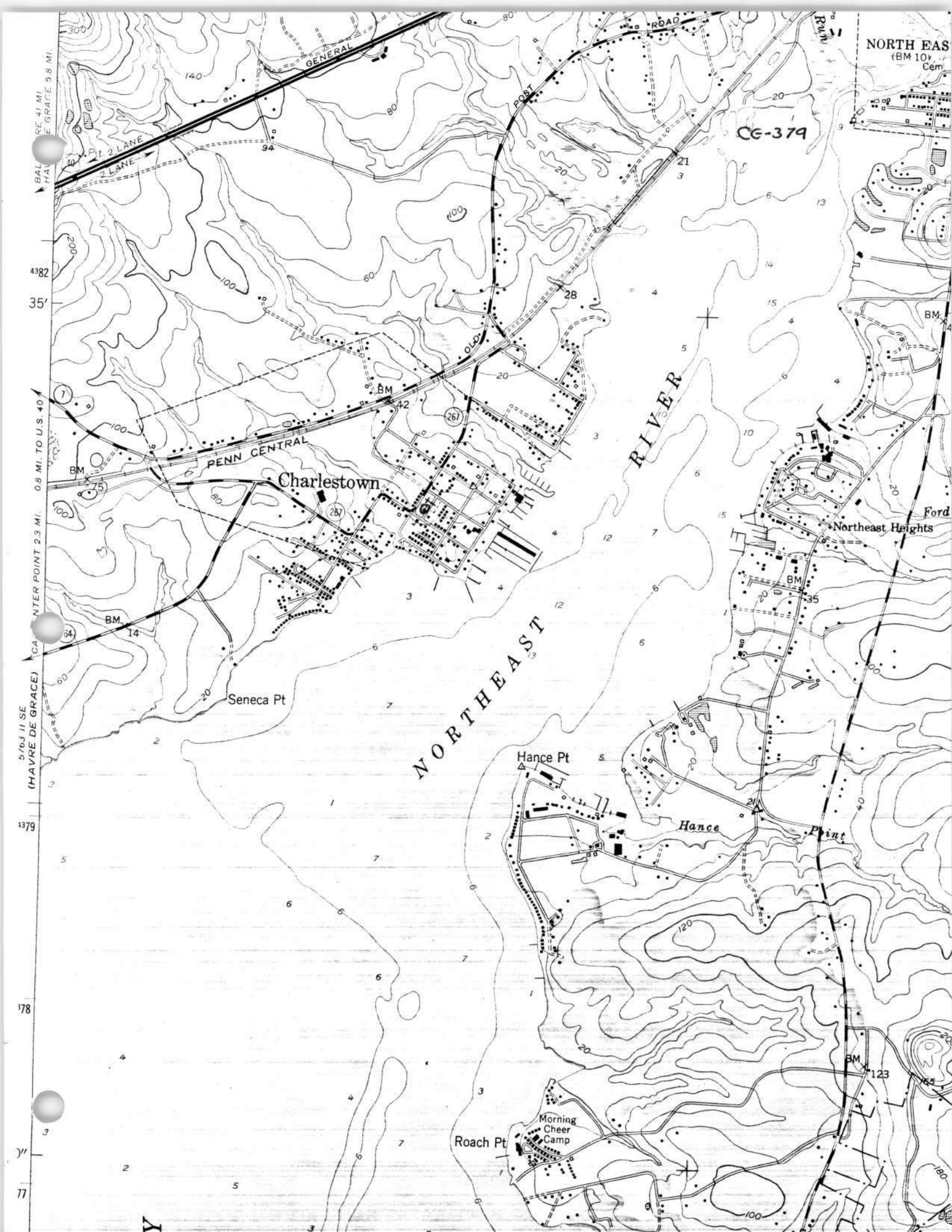
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The first Methodist services in Charlestown were held in a large brick house that stood where the Methodist Parsonage is now. That house had belonged to John Ross Key, father of Francis Scott Key, author of The Star Spangled Banner. John Ross Key sold the house to Nathaniel Ramsey, Colonel in the Revolutionary War. In the early days of the rebellion, Colonel Ramsey was the leader of the Council of Safety in this area and many secretive meetings were held in his home. At his death, the town bought the house from his heirs and established the first church, which was shared by both Methodist and Presbyterian congregations.

In 1949 a brick Methodist parsonage was built on the approximate site of the original Ramsey House.

Four years after the organization of the Methodist Society in Charlestown, a small wooden frame church building was built. This church was occupied by the Methodist until 1856 when the congregation moved into the newly built brick church.

The Reverend James Neal of Philadelphia preached the dedicatory service and Bishop Scott dedicated the church at this service.





Charleston

Charleston Methodist Church

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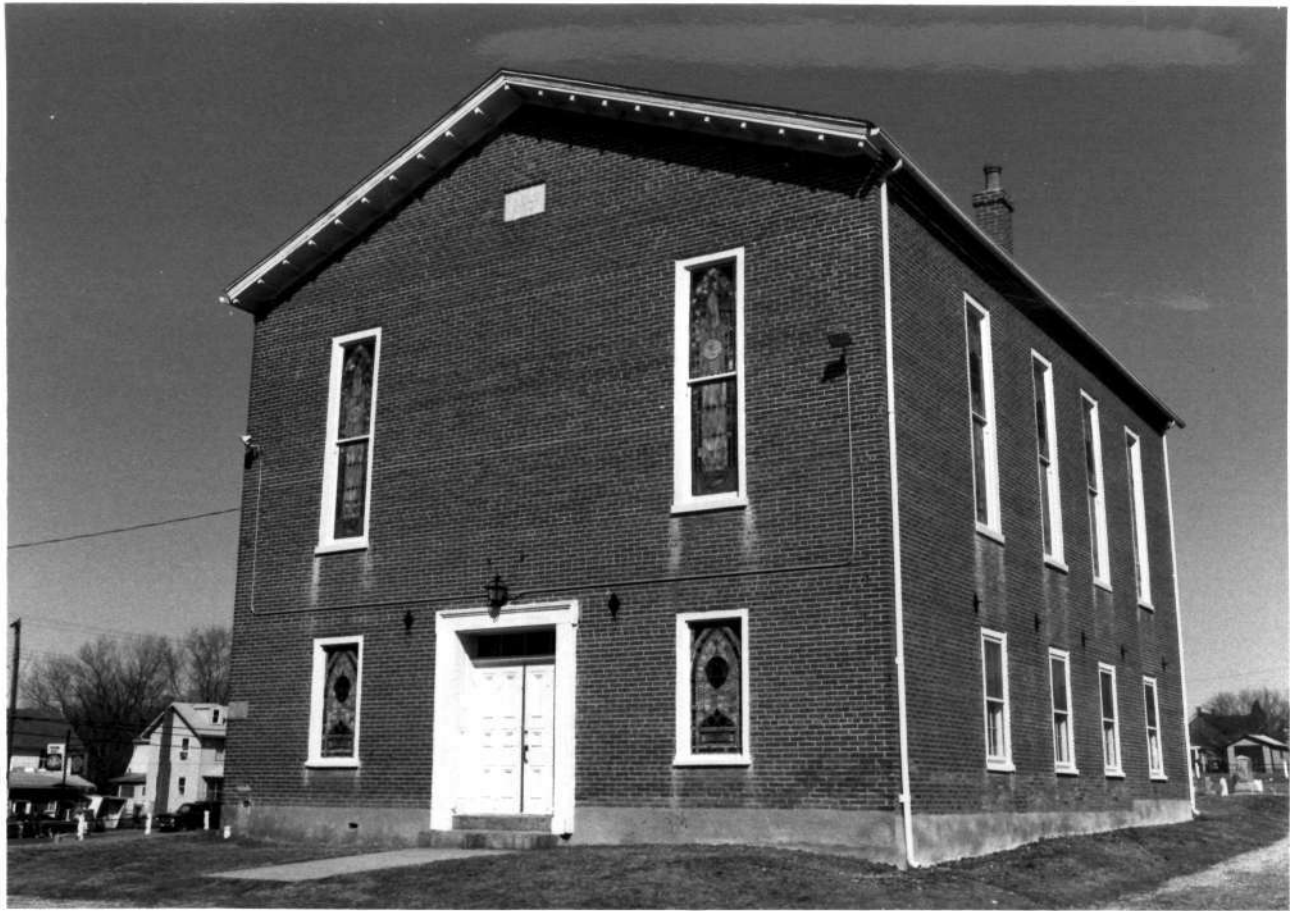
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